

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 416 (HB 585)

2016 Regular Session

Broadwater

Existing law (R.S. 24:50 et seq.) regulates lobbying of the legislature. Existing law (R.S. 49:71 et seq.) regulates lobbying of the executive branch. Requires each lobbyist to register and provide certain identifying information for the lobbyist and the lobbyist's clients and certain information concerning lobbying activities.

Existing law (R.S. 24:55 and R.S. 49:76) requires each lobbyist to file monthly reports containing certain specified information regarding expenditures incurred for the purpose of lobbying. Requires the lobbyist to include expenditures attributable to each individual official who is lobbied, as well as expenditures attributable to the spouse or minor child of the official. Requires the name of the official to be included, but not the name of the spouse or minor child.

New law provides that amounts reported as being attributable to an official or the spouse or minor child of an official shall not include any expenditure made at an event that the official, spouse, or minor child did not attend.

Existing law provides for enforcement by the Board of Ethics. Provides for the imposition of penalties for failing to include information required to be in a report.

New law makes existing law penalties applicable to new law.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 24:55(D)(3) and R.S. 49:76(D)(3))